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Appl. No. 09/706,188  
Amtd. Dated February 5, 2004  
Reply to Office action of August 5, 2003

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/706,188  
Applicant : Andi Vonlanthen  
Filed : November 3, 2000  
Title : METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE DYNAMIC RANGE OF A  
HEARING AID, AND METHOD TO MANUFACTURE DIFFERENT  
HEARING AIDS, AND A HEARING AID

TC/A.U. : 2643  
Examiner : Brian Ensey  
Docket No. : 33109

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**AMENDMENT "B"**

Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated August 5, 2003 (Paper No 9).

The three month period for responding to the Office action was set to expire on November 5, 2003.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests and petitions for a three (3) month extension of time, up to and including February 5, 2004. Our check in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed for the extension of time fee.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

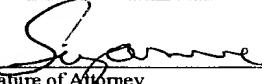
**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.

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